



# Science in motion



After-school students enjoy hands-on science related activities at the Southern Ute Education Department on Thursday, March 1 under the guidance and instruction of the Durango Discovery Museum and its staff. Physics, electronics, and an old-fashioned balloon race featured in the students' projects, mostly tackled by way of collaborative partnership.

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## Patio sells 'hearts' for kids



Ignacio's The Patio Restaurant finished its annual "Patio Hearts" sale on Friday, Feb. 24. Pink paper hearts sold for \$1 apiece, with proceeds going to support specific projects through the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Restaurant owner Emily Meisner and her waitresses — Arielle Geist, Stephanie Ludwig, Coleen Moreta, Kristin Raby and Shana Cundiff — helped sell the hearts, with Cundiff taking the top sales crown in the fourth year of the event. The restaurant raised a total of \$389 for the club. Club members celebrate with an ice cream party (top); Meisner (left) shows off the restaurant's contribution.

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## Students: We want Bridges



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In the wake of Black History Month, seventh-grade students from an Ignacio Junior High School language arts class made an informational presentation to the Southern Ute Tribal Council and Southern Ute Education Department on Thursday, March 1 expressing interest in having Ruby Bridges visit their school. Bridges was the first black student to be fully integrated into the public school system following the Civil Rights Movement. Pictured (left to right): Zehrena Antez, Ryley Webb, Jaylynn Herrera, and Alana Watts read their individual presentations out loud. Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. and Councilman Aaron V. Torres listen attentively. The students also made their case for funding the presentation at the Ignacio School Board meeting on Thursday, March 8.